PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No.: 92/P03-014A

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 and a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time to respond to the final Office action mailed on March 4, 2009, for the following application:

Application

Application Serial No: 10/743,577

Filed on: December 22, 2003

Inventors: Syeum et al.

Title: BRACE SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR A VEHICLE AT

A LOADING DOCK

Art Unit: 3652

Examiner: Joshua I. Rudawitz

Attorney Docket No.: 92/P03-014A

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being electronically deposited with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 4, 2009.

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$1. \ \ Submission\ required\ under\ 37\ C.F.R.\ \S 1.114$

a.	Pr	eviously	Submitted:						
	i.		Consider the response to the Office action dated, previously submitted on						
	ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on						
	iii.		Other:						
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	i.	\boxtimes	Reply (Response to the final Office action dated March 4, 2009)						
	ii.		Declaration Of Common Ownership						
	iii.	\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)						
	iv.		Other:						

2. Fees

☐ The fee for additional claims [(37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)] has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	21	MINUS	26	= 0	x26=	s	x52=	\$0.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS	3	-0	x110=	s	x220=	\$0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+195=	s	+390=	\$0.00
TOTAL A	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$	OR	\$0.00

Extension of Time

This is a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (Months)	FEE FOR	LARGE ENTITY	FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY		
One Month		\$130.00	\$65.00		
Two Months		\$490.00	\$245.0	0	
Three Months	X	\$1,110.00	\$555.0	0	
Four Months		\$1,730.00	\$865.0	0	
Fifth Month		\$2,350.00	\$1,175	.00	

If an additional Extension of Time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension Fee: \$1,110.00

An extension for month(s) has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Deduction: \$

Extension Fee Due With This Request \$1,110.00

3. Method of Payment

a. An electronic funds transfer in the amount of \$1,920.00 is submitted for the following:
i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$810)
ii. Extension of time fee 37 C.F.R. §\$ 1.136 and 1.17(a) (\$1,110.00)
iii. Other:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2455.

Please direct all future communications to the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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